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July 28, 2016

Voice for Christ Ministries, Inc.

P.O. Box 474

Nenana, AK 99760-0474

Re: KIAM-FM, North Nenana, AK

Voice for Christ Ministries, Inc.

Facility Identification Number: 174373

Special Temporary Authority

BSTA-20160725ABM

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to your request filed July 25, 2016. You request special temporary authority ("STA") to operate KIAM-FM from a formerly authorized transmitter site, following lightning damage to the currently licensed facility.

The request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KIAM-FM may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates: 64° 33′ 50″ N, 149° 05′ 21″ W (NAD 1927)

Channel 220 (91.9 MHz) Effective radiated power: 0.26 kilowatt (H&V)

Antenna height:

above ground: 14 meters above mean sea level: 126 meters¹ above average terrain: 11 meters Structure height above ground level: 15 meters

This authority expires on January 24, 2017.

**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The STA request, as well as the original construction permit application, incorrectly specified a value of 112 meters for the antenna radiation center height above mean sea level. In fact that is the site elevation. We here correct the antenna height parameters in keeping with this change.

of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

Dale Bickel Senior Engineer Audio Division

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